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There has been a large crop of theatrical failures already this autumn, says a London contemporary. Play after play loudly heralded and produced on a lavish scale has come and gone. Some because they lacked merit, others because the cost of running them until the tide of popularity showed signs of turning in their favour was prohibitive. In one theatre we have seen three new productions in a period of six weeks, and the last has even less prospect of success than its predecessors. But managers are not discouraged, and many fresh ventures are pending. At St. James's Theatre Mr. Shaw's play "Amiroles and the Lion" was taken off on 25th ult., and Mr. Granville Barker and Miss Lillah McCarthy now intend to present "The Witch." This is technically a revival, for the piece was seen at a brief series of matinees, but it is new to all but a handful of playgoers. A notable cast, including Miss McCarthy and Mr. J. D. Bevington, has been engaged. Elaborate preparations have been made for the new Leonovale musical comedy at the Prince of Wales's Theatre. Attempts at anticipation in this line of business have led the management to preserve secrecy as to the more important features of the piece. But it is stated that realism has been carried to unusual lengths in the production. At the Strand Theatre, "The Jewess," a Welsh comedy by Mr. Laurence Cowen, will be played; and three more new productions are promised—"A Place in the Sun" by Mr. Cyril Harcourt, at the Comedy; "The Pursuits of Pamela," by Mr. C. B. Fernald, at the Royalty; and Mr. G. K. Chesterton's fantastic comedy "Magic," at the Little Theatre.

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The writer stated that though she was a sympathizer with the Suffragette movement, she was strongly opposed to the present development of militancy. She then stated that the latest scheme was for the militants to call at the big railway stations, presumably throughout the country, and leave at each parcel or left luggage office left evening, a highly explosive bomb, timed to explode at a given hour. The letters bore a signature below a request for the non-publication of the name.

On the receipt of these letters information was sent by the railway officials to the City police and Scotland Yard. The railway authorities also telegraphed instructions to the head officials at all the big stations on their respective systems, advising them to take every precaution. The London termini of all the railways were carefully guarded, and every parcel received was keenly examined. The parcel offices were also closely watched by the railway police. The police did not regard the matter seriously, but looked upon it as a deliberate attempt to hoax the railway companies. Every precaution, however, was taken, and a number of officers were deputed to help the railway police in protecting the parcels and left luggage offices in London and elsewhere from the threatened danger, if it existed.

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what might be expected, and, indeed, as if they thought the whole thing a big joke, which to their surprise they had been allowed to play so long.

Yuan, Shih, Kai, however, has now taken another step, professing that he believes that he is working in harmony with the wishes of his countrymen and for the interests of the Republic. He repudiates the idea that he wishes to rule on his own authority. He does wish, however, to have about him those whose ability and wisdom will command some respect, and who will not involve him in leaning upon a broken reed. It seems that he has sent a general telegram to the several provinces, in which the difficulties of the past are set forth, the need for immediate and united action, and also that something be done to unify the government throughout all the provinces, so that each and all may march along in harmony together.

In order to get this idea put into practical realization, he has ordered that each province send at once two delegates to Peking, which shall form a sort of Privy Council of Government, for the purpose of consulting with the President as to the best course to pursue. It is to be noted, however, that no one must be sent whose age is under thirty-five; further, each delegate must have had some years experience of Government, either under the Manchus or, during the Republic, and these years of experience must not be less than ten. Lastly, all delegates must be well educated and well informed on matters in general, and in Chinese literature in particular. With a Council of such men around him it seems that the President hopes to find out how best to administer the Government and assist the people.

It will be seen from this outline, in case the people or the local officials conform to the request of this circular telegram, that the Council thus gathered together will be in no sense elected by the people, and that the officials themselves at the capital city of each province will elect two of their number, whom they most trust, and these will go forward. It will be seen, secondly, that there is in this suggestion a trend backwards towards the old conservative policy. We think that it is extremely unlikely that he will find many men thirty-five years of age who have seen ten years of service in their country's government, and so, if this proviso is insisted on, most of the delegates will be considerably over forty and perhaps over fifty years of age. It will also be seen, that the Council has no authority to effect anything. They will form a council of advice simply, and the same hand that made them what they are can and may unmake them, and send them about their business. Indeed, they will form an advisory board and little or nothing else. It has been found apparently that governing by a so-called Parliament has achieved little or nothing; that party government has meant little more than an occasion for party strife; therefore, President Yuan apparently intends to try some other plan. There is something to be said for a Council of this kind, as an apology for an elected Parliament, and it will be able to do duty till the people understand what a Parliament means. Those who are sent to take their seats will understand that they are not elected either to cavil or to fill their pockets, but to work for the development of the nation's welfare and for the safety and protection of the people whom they represent.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A hundred Austrian gold coins are being sent out to China for the Republic Government under the terms of the recent Austrian loan.

A giant apple has been sold for 16 guineas at Covent Garden Market. It measured 17 in. in circumference and weighed 9 lb. 5 oz. It was put up for auction by Messrs. Garcia, Jacobs, Ltd., and the sum obtained went in aid of Charity Cross Hospital.

Nine small boys ran away from their home in Macao last week, and being in Hongkong without money broke open a shop show case in Queen's Road west and stole some shoes. Only one of them, a diminutive lad was caught, and Mr. Wood ordered him ten strokes of the birch at the Magistracy this morning.

An English bishop owned a portable bath-tub, which he failed on one occasion to take with him on a pastoral visitation. When he returned he found that the housemaid had used his beloved tub, calling her into his study he said, kindly, "Mary, I do not so much mind your using my tub, but what I object to is your not doing before my face what you would not do before my face."

The man who was remanded by Mr. Harland, first police magistrate, yesterday on a charge of carelessly driving a truck and running over a small child was discharged this morning. Mr. Harland told the mother of the youngster to take more care of it in future. Had it been on the foot path the accident would not have happened, he added.

The authorities in the Philippines are following in the wake of British Government officials in making war on the mosquito. The Bureau of Science, Manila, has a number of live mosquito fish for free distribution to people living in or near Manila. "This fish, the adult of which is about 3 centimetres in length, thrives in rice paddies, swamps, and fish ponds in fresh or brackish water. Its favourite food is the eggs and young of the mosquito."

A Chinese passenger who arrived by the s.s. Hot Ming yesterday had all his spare clothes stolen. The police were informed and in the evening Detective Sergeant Ingham arrested two men in possession of the stolen articles in a house at Tung Street. The complainant left the colony last evening, so the case, which was before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy this morning, was adjourned for his return, prisoners being kept in custody.

The Tokushima Maru, one of the latest additions to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha fleet, arrived at Colombo on November 2 on her way from the builders, Messrs. Russell and Co., Port Glasgow, to Japan. She is a vessel of 5,610 tons gross, 3,780 tons net, commanded by Captain E. Combes with a crew of 9 Europeans and 40 Asiatics. Her dimensions:—Length 423 ft. 5 in., breadth 56 ft., depth 28 ft. 8 in.

A shop coolie was charged in the second court at the Magistracy this morning with stealing clothing, including a silk long coat, from a house in D'Aguilar Street yesterday. The coolie, who is stated to be in the employment of Madame Flint, was detected by a cook-boy as he was leaving his master's house with the stolen articles. Mr. Wood remanded the prisoner to enable Inspector Fenton to make inquiries as to prisoner's antecedents, fixing bail at \$25.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

### CHARGES OF FRAUD AGAINST INDIAN WARDEN.

#### CASE FOR THE DEFENCE.

The hearing of the case in which Kienam Singh, an Indian Warden employed in Victoria Road, stands charged on two counts of false pretences, was continued to-day before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz (Puisne Judge).

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. R. Dickson, F. Soule, K. Sayce, F. H. Huxford, E. Wöschel, F. Bumann, and F. W. H. Adam.

The case for the Crown having closed, Mr. Jenkins arose to open the defence. Addressing the jury, he said:—Gentlemen of the jury, it is my privilege to address you twice.

The Crown Solicitor: My Lord, if my friend is going to call the accused only, he ought to call him first. It is quoted in the Ordinance, No. 14 of 1896, that where the only witness as to facts is the prisoner charged, he shall be called as a witness immediately after the close of the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Jenkins: I might say I was not going to do it. I was not going to inflict two speeches upon the jury. I was going to explain what the rights of the prisoner were.

His Lordship: Is not that the usual practice?

The Crown Solicitor: I don't think so. "Is Lordship read 'immediately after the close of the case for the prosecution' to mean, 'before any other witnesses were called.' And Counsel for the accused was allowed to proceed."

Mr. Jenkins said he was about to say, and he still thought he was correct in saying, that he was entitled to address the jury twice if he wanted to, but he was not going to address them twice—only once, after his client had gone into the witness box and said what he had to say about the circumstances.

He wished the jury to understand that the prisoner was entitled to go into the box to give his evidence on oath, but if he did he was subject to cross-examination. He was also entitled if he chose, alternatively to make a statement from the dock and not be cross-examined, or to make no statement at all. "In this case the accused would go into the witness box, where he was subject to cross-examination, and would give his own version of the case."

Accused then entered the witness box for examination, and the case was proceeding when we went to press.

### HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

We are asked to draw attention to the revolving table contest which takes place at the circus to-night. This is sure to create a great deal of amusement. The successful competitor will be presented with a handsome trophy. The last machine will be held to-morrow afternoon at the usual hour and to-morrow evening this fine show concludes its season in Hongkong. The circus leaves for Saigon on Sunday.

### CHINESE NEWS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

#### The Second Quintuple Loan.

PEKING, Nov. 20. The negotiations for the second Quintuple Loan are practically completed.

A Japanese syndicate has approached the government with a proposal for the development of the Senai oil fields.

Japanese and Italian soldiers came into conflict at Tientsin. The matter will be cleared up by the respective Consuls.

Manchuria has requested the Government to allow two representatives to sit in the Administrative Chamber; Mongolia and Tibet has already two seats.

#### Dividing China.

THE NEW PREFECTURES. PEKING, Nov. 21. Under the new scheme for the division of the country into prefectures, Chihli will be divided into seven districts, Szechuan into eight, Kwangtung, Shensi, Shensi, and Sinkian five each, Mukden, Yunnan, Honan into four each, Fokien, Chikiang and Kiri each into two, and all the other provinces into two districts.

It is reported that Wong Hing is forming a new Tung Ming society in Tokyo.

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## TO-DAY'S SUMMARY COURT CASES.

### SEIZURE OF A JUNK.

#### Question of Liability for Costs.

Before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Court this morning, the case was mentioned in which the Tut Sing is suing Cheng Kwai to recover the sum of \$144.88.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing informed his Lordship that he appeared for Cheng Kwai. Notice had been served on Mr. Crowther Smith (who represented the plaintiff), and he understood Mr. Smith had withdrawn from possession of the junk, which was attached.

Mr. Smith: That is so, and I want to prove the case. I have nothing to do with the attachment of the junk.

Mr. Kong Sing: I understand the defendant has not been served.

Mr. Smith: I would ask your Lordship to take the case in Chambers to-morrow when I will call the bailiff to satisfy you as to service.

His Lordship: The point is, are you satisfied with the service?

Mr. Smith: The bailiff served somebody who said he was the defendant. The defendant has not appeared, and Mr. Kong Sing appears for somebody, also. In that case I am entitled to prove my case.

His Lordship: How about the junk?

Mr. Smith: It has been released.

Mr. Kong Sing: In that case I am asking for costs.

Mr. Smith: I am not liable for costs. Mr. Kong Sing: I am entitled to compensation, as well as costs, and I would ask your Lordship to make an order for costs now. Any subsequent action that might be taken can be taken.

His Lordship said he would take the case in Chambers to-morrow.

### AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY.

#### With a Possible Defence.

A case was mentioned before His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Court this morning in which C. H. Lee, editor of the "China Daily Outlook," is being sued by Loai Wei Kee (trading as Man Shing) for the recovery of \$1,000, being amount due for goods supplied and work done by the plaintiff for the defendant, full accounts of which had been duly supplied.

Mr. Norington, for the plaintiff, said the defendant went to his office and admitted liability.

His Lordship: He may have a good defence of which he knows nothing.

Mr. Dixon (for the defendant): He has.

Mr. Norington: The defendant has complained of the "China Outlook" being stopped because of this claim for the printer's bill; if this case stands over for a week they will have further cause of complaint.

His Lordship: You are suing the editor of the paper?

Mr. Norington: We have stopped publication.

Mr. Harris: Perhaps I might be allowed to mention the case, as the defendant first came to me. With regard to the first part of the claim, for \$242, we have an absolute defence. With regard to the remainder I don't think we have a defence insofar as there may be a set off, but we are going to counter-claim for damages for stopping work without proper cause.

The case was adjourned for a week.

## ARMS AT KOWLOON.

### Seizure at the Godowns.

#### REVENUE OFFICER'S CAPTURE.

Before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy this afternoon Revenue Officer Sutherland presented a Chinese for being in possession, unlawfully, of two rifles and 200 rounds of rifle ammunition at Kowloon on the 20th instant.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull, solicitor, defended. The Revenue officer stated that while he was standing outside the godowns on the 20th he saw the defendant with a coolie, who was carrying a box, (produced in court.) He asked defendant what the box contained, and he replied that he did not know, as it belonged to the man who was carrying it. The witness went with the defendant to the ferry, leaving the box at his office, and as defendant was unable to point out the owner defendant was detained while the case was up; it was addressed to the Kwong Loong firm, and had on it the name of the Shipping Agents, Messrs. Malabar & Co.

Cross-examined by Mr. Faithfull witness said the box may have been addressed to some person, one of the firm mentioned. The Court interpreter examined the box and found that this was so, it being consigned to Woo Chung Lok, care of the Kwong Loong.

When we went to press evidence was still being taken.

His Lordship, in the course of his judgment, remarked that the defendant in this action consented to judgment being entered against him on the claim, but contended for the right to set off a sum of \$300 or so, being part of a claim of \$11,300 which he had against the plaintiff. His Lordship said he had not as yet decided whether this particular claim was one which could be the subject of a set off; to do that he should have to hear the evidence, and so far none had been taken. The question before him was whether, supposing the defendant had a good set off against the plaintiff, he (the defendant) could apply a claim of which the whole amount exceeds the summary jurisdiction of the court, so as to use a part of it as a defence to this action. Defendant did not say that he could do this in the case of a counter-claim. He admitted that to do so he would have to waive the excess. It seemed to his Lordship in the first place that to allow the defendant to do what he claimed would, in effect, be allowing him to split his cause of action, and that was really what Mr. Harris wanted. Mr. Harris was asking to set up part of his cause of action, his demand or claim, against the plaintiff as a defence; and then, further, he would have the balance of his claim either as a defence to other claims against him by this plaintiff, or if those claims were withdrawn, or failed, he claimed the right, as his Lordship understood, of bringing an independent action for the balance.

After dealing with the authorities submitted by both sides, his Lordship remarked that in his opinion the section which was fatal to Mr. Harris' contention was not so much section 10 of the Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance as section 7. That section only conferred jurisdiction on the summary side where the claim, debt, or damages to be recovered did not exceed the sum of \$1,000. The defendant was seeking to recover part of a debt, and if successful he established as against the other party his right to recover the whole of that debt. The decision would involve the judgment of the Court on a claim of a much larger sum. "I cannot think," continued his Lordship, "that any such result was ever contemplated by our Ordinance, and the balance of convenience seems to me so strongly against it that I am bound to decide adversely to the defendant."

Proceeding, his Lordship said it might be said that he could meet the difficulty by transferring both actions to the original jurisdiction, but that might be a hardship on the plaintiff, who was desirous of recovering a small claim, as he had a right to do, summarily. In the present case he was willing to grant a stay of execution and give the defendant leave to file a counter-claim if he waived the excess. Meanwhile, there would be judgment for the plaintiff on the claim with costs.

A stay of execution for 14 days was granted, and, on the application of Mr. Gidding, judgment with costs was entered for the plaintiff on two similar claims.

### A DELAYED PRELIMINARY POINT.

#### To be Dismissed Later.

The case in which the Ellis Kadocoe Chinese School Society is suing H. A. Maxwell to recover \$1,000 was mentioned before His Honour the Puisne Judge in the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. D. Lewis, who represented the plaintiffs, informed his Lordship that the case was mentioned last Friday, when his friend said he had a preliminary point to argue which might dispose of the case. Yesterday afternoon he received a letter from Mr. Hind in which that gentleman said that on considering the matter he did not think it advisable that the point as to whether Messrs. Ellis Kadocoe and Liu Chi Pak were entitled to sue on behalf of the Society should be settled as a preliminary point. Mr. Lewis had had to see his client, and go into the law on the matter, and he asked his Lordship to make an order as to costs.

His Lordship: The other side want an adjournment?

Mr. Lewis: My friend abandons the point altogether.

Mr. Hind: No. I don't. But the evidence can only come from the plaintiffs themselves, and until the plaintiffs have been in the box it is impossible to argue the point. My friend will want a further adjournment when he sees the counter-claim. (Laughter.)

His Lordship said the point could be argued when the case came on, and fixed the hearing for Thursday, the 4th proximo.

### CLAIM ON A PROMISSORY NOTE.

#### Interesting Judgment.

His Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) delivered his reserved decision in the Summary Court to-day in the case in which F. Schmitt and Co. sued Deo A. Wing and Co. to recover the sum of \$341.90, the equivalent of 23,411 taels on a promissory note.

Mr. F. W. Norington (for Messrs. Gidding and Mr. Crowther Smith, plaintiffs) said that the note was dated the 1st of January, 1911, and was payable to the order of F. Schmitt and Co. The note was signed by Deo A. Wing and Co. and was for the sum of 23,411 taels, the equivalent of \$341.90.

The note was presented to the plaintiffs on the 1st of January, 1911, and was not paid. The plaintiffs claimed the sum of \$341.90, with interest and costs.

The defendant claimed that the note was not valid, and that the plaintiffs were not entitled to recover. His Lordship found in favour of the plaintiffs, and ordered them to recover the sum of \$341.90, with interest and costs.

## UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

### Following on the decision of the University of Hongkong to hold its Preliminary Examination in July and December, respectively, the examination will now be held on December 1st and 2nd, 1913.

The University of Hongkong is pleased to announce that the preliminary examination will be held on December 1st and 2nd, 1913. The examination will be held at the University of Hongkong, and will be open to all students who have completed the preliminary examination in the previous year.

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## BECK'S BEER

Key Brand

\$16.00 per case

6 dozen pints,

4 dozen Quarts.

HONGKONG AGENTS:

### MacEwen, Frickel & Co.

## HOWARD WATCHES.

THE AMERICAN WATCH OF FINEST QUALITY &amp; HIGH PRECISION.

ADJUSTED FOR TEMPERATURE AND POSITIONS.

THE PRICE OF THE HOWARD WATCH IS FIXED AT THE FACTORY.

WRITE OR SEND FOR CATALOGUE TO

THE SOLE AGENTS:

### Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, CHATER ROAD.

### To-day's Advertisements

LIST OF UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS  
LYING IN THE EASTERN  
EXTENSION, OFFICE AT  
HONGKONG.

Address	Station From
Ransongwhatt	Singapore.
Chaochowong Takfai	Singapore.
Chiatiao	Singapore.
Darai Gokokomaru	Chaochow.
Douan Passenger	Chaochow.
"Derfing"	Shanghai.
Drude	Tientsin City.
Hingchow Tailor	Singapore.
Hosenfeld	Calcutta.
Italis	New York.
Juanah 1056 Chungar Coy	Amritsar.
Kokwaiyan	Nanchang.
Kongchongchan	Penang.
Longtowian	g.hai Chinese.
Lodging House	Malacca.
Longtowian Chop Whonghio	Penang.
Kimbooh	Penang.
Tamshing 41 Bonham	Berkhamsted.
Strand East	Singapore.
Tung Chien Fook	Yinkow.
Tungchow	Singapore.
10 Queen's Central	Singapore.
Countess Wiser	Warsburg.
6639	Weihsaiwei.
J. M. BECK	Superintendent.
Hongkong, Nov. 21, 1913.	1431

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

### FRIDAY,

the 28th November 1913, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Joo Euseb St.,

### A MISCELLANEOUS STOCK

Comprising—Men's Woolen Singlets and Pants, Suit and Overcoat Lengths, Socks and Stockings, Ladies' Cloaks and Rain Coats, Men's Overcoats, etc., etc.

Including a number of Leather Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Gramophone Records, English and Japanese New Gramophones, etc.

### THE AUCTIONEER.

HONGKONG, Nov. 21, 1913. 1432

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for account of the concerned),

### FRIDAY,

the 28th November 1913, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 4, Durrer Villa, (Ground Floor) Cameron Road, Kowloon.

### THE AUCTIONEER.

HONGKONG, Nov. 21, 1913. 1433

### VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Including large Office Desk, Copying Press, etc., Electric Fittings and Ceiling Fan, Piano by Robinson Piano Co., Rubber-tipped Rikake (in good condition), Plants in Pots, &c., &c.

### THE AUCTIONEER.

HONGKONG, Nov. 21, 1913. 1434

### TUO NISEN KAINSHA

### S.S. "HONGKONG MARU,"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

The above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Company's Godown at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered on Nov. 22nd, 1913, will be subject to storage charges.

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GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S OFFICE AT HONGKONG.

Address	Station from
Chongyu	Shanghai.
Leongmehai o/o	Kobe.
Penny	Kobe.
Tamshing o/o Milau	Dairen.
Watling 31 Queen's Road	Shanghai.
0733 0615 0262 1417 0387	Amoy.
1122 0615 0262 1417 4011	Amoy.
6111 3526	Amoy.
A. B. SOERENSEN	Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, Nov. 21, 1913.	1433

### POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close for—

TOURANE & QUINCHON.

Per *Helene*, at 2 a.m., on Saturday, the 22nd Oct.

JAPAN-VIA MOJI.

Per *Mexico City*, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 22nd Nov.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Manila*, at 1 p.m., on Saturday, the 22nd Nov.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Zeyra*, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 22nd Nov.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & TIENTSIN.

Per *Chienan*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 22nd Nov.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, TIMOR, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA & NEW ZEALAND VIA PORT DARWIN.

Per *Empire*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 23rd Nov.

SWATOW.

Per *Swatow*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 23rd Nov.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA VIA TAMSUI.

Per *Daigai Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 23rd Nov.

SAIGON.

Per *Derwent*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 23rd Nov.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

Per *Haikan*, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the 25th Nov.

STRAITS & INDIA VIA CALCUTTA.

Per *Levi*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 25th Nov.

TIENTSIN.

Per *Kueichow*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 25th Nov.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA & NEW ZEALAND VIA THURSDAY ISLAND.

Per *Nikko Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 25th Nov.

STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEK, EGYPT & EUROPE VIA BRINDISI.

Per *Devanah*, on Saturday, the 22nd Nov.

Printed Matter and Sample 10 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents up to 11 a.m.

Registration, Kowloon R.O., 9.30 a.m.

Letters at 11 a.m.

Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.

(Supplementary Mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.)

Extra Postage 10 cents.

Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes "in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail."

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 21st inst. at 5 p.m.

\*Specially super-scribed correspondence only.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, November 21, 1913.

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